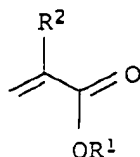


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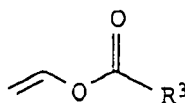
# Abstract

The present invention relates to water-soluble or water-dispersible copolymers obtainable by free-radical polymerization of

- a) 80 to 20% by weight of hydroxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl (meth)acrylate and, where appropriate, one or more compounds of the formula (A) or (B)



(A)



(B)

with R<sup>1</sup> = H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl,  
R<sup>2</sup> = H, CH<sub>3</sub>  
R<sup>3</sup> = C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>24</sub>-alkyl

or mixtures thereof

in the presence of

- b) 20 to 80% by weight of polyvinyl alcohol (PVA) and  
c) where appropriate 0 to 20% by weight of other polymerizable compounds (C), a process for their preparation, and their use as coating agent, binder and/or film-forming excipient in pharmaceutical dosage forms.